

FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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Notification
to the Signatory or Contracting States of the
CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED
SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA
concluded at Washington on 3 March 1973

I

ACCESSION OF LIBERIA AND OF MOZAMBIQUE

Based on Article XXI of the Convention, the Republic of Liberia has deposited with the Swiss Government, on 11 March 1981, an instrument of accession to the Convention. According to Article XXII, Paragraph 2, of the Convention, the accession of the Republic of Liberia will take effect on 9 June 1981.

Based on Article XXI of the Convention, the People's Republic of Mozambique has deposited with the Swiss Government, on 25 March 1981, an instrument of accession to the Convention. According to Article XXII, Paragraph 2, of the Convention, the accession of the People's Republic of Mozambique will take effect on 23 June 1981.

II

COMMUNICATION OF THE UNITED KINGDOM RELATING TO
A DECLARATION OF ARGENTINA

By its notification of 13 February 1981, the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs has informed the Signatory or Contracting States of the ratification of the Convention by the Argentine Republic, together with a Declaration. Referring to the aforementioned notification, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland has transmitted to the Swiss Government, by note of 5 March 1981, the following communication :

"The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland have no doubt as to United Kingdom sovereignty over the Falkland Islands and their Dependencies. The United Kingdom Government therefore do not accept the declaration of the Argentine Republic claiming that the Falkland Islands are an integral part of the territory of the Argentine Republic and administered by the National Territory of Tierra del Fuego, Antarctica and the Islands of the South Atlantic."

III

WITHDRAWAL OF RESERVATIONS BY SOUTH AFRICA

By note of 17 February 1981, received on the 18 of the same month, the Republic of South Africa has informed the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of the withdrawal of the reservations entered on 2 June 1977 and 28 June 1979, in accordance with Article XV, Paragraph 3, of the Convention. These reservations were concerning the following species :

- "(A) The inclusion of Balaenoptera Physalus and Balaenoptera Borealis in Appendices I and II
- (B) The inclusion of Sousa spp. and Sotalia spp. in Appendix I and the inclusion of all other Cetacean species in Appendix II."

IV

ENTRY OF A RESERVATION BY DENMARK

By note of 3 March 1981, received on the 4 of the same month, the Kingdom of Denmark has informed the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of the entry of the following reservation, according to Article XVI, Paragraph 2, of the Convention :

"Se référant à l'article XVI alinéa 2 de ladite convention, le Gouvernement du Danemark formule une réserve en ce qui concerne la liste d'espèces annoncée par Guatemala pour l'inscription à l'Annexe III, que le Secrétariat de la Convention a communiquée par sa note du 23 janvier 1981. Cette réserve comprend également les composants et produits dérivés de ces espèces."

V

AMENDMENT OF 22 JUNE 1979 TO THE CONVENTION

The Federal Department of Foreign Affairs informs the Signatory or Contracting States of the Convention that the following States, by depositing an instrument, have accepted the Amendment to Article XI, Paragraph 3, sub-paragraph (a), of the Convention, adopted at Bonn on 22 June 1979 :

Switzerland	on 23 February 1981
Kingdom of Denmark	on 25 February 1981

The Amendment shall enter into force for the Parties which have accepted it 60 days after two-thirds of the Parties have deposited an instrument of acceptance with the Depositary.

The present notification is addressed to the Signatory or Contracting States in conformity with Article XXV, Paragraph 2, of the Convention.

Berne, 8 April 1981